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ENP#1FF188#18 2/G11/VCJ/T-#236-7# PLAINTEXT TACREP PASEP ADEE GOLF 11/ECHO
TACREP NR, #54-7# DTG #712#1ZJAB TACREP PASEP ADEE GOLF 11/ECHO TACREP NR,
#6#-7# SONGBIRD DTG #8#631ZJAB SONG BIRD BINH TRAM 32 ISSUES INSTRUCTIONS ON
SHOOTDOWN
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FM, ((BINH TR. 32)) ((1)) TO, ((16TH AAA BATTALION)) PREC, -- NR, ((M))
 ((GIST)) ((2)) IN COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE 16TH AAA BATTALION, BINH TRAM 32
 INSTRUCTED THE BATTALION TO \$BE DETERMINED NOT TO LEMTHEM (THE ENEMY) RESCUE
 THE PILOT AND TO STRIVE TO CAPTURE THE PILOT.\$ THE BATTALION REPLIED THAT ALL
 UNITS WERE VERY \$DETERMINED\$ AND THAT C-4 (COMPANY4) HAD FIRED A LOT. IN
 RESPONSE TO A QUERY Q THE BATTALION, BINH TRAM 32 LEFT THE DEPLOYMENT OF 12.7MM
 WEAPONS TO THE DISCRETION OF THE BATTALION COM- MANDER, SAYING THAT \$ANY
 DEPLOYMENT IS ALL RIGHT.\$ THE BATTALION STATED THAT ELEMENTS OF COMPANIES 1,2,
 AND 4 WERE ATTEMPTING TO CAPTURE THE PILOT. THE BINH TRAM AGREED THAT THE
 BATTALION SHOULD WITHDRAW INTO THE WOODS TO \$PROVIDE PROTECTION\$ AND SHOULD
 COORDINATE WITH SURROUNDING UNITS TO CAPTURE THE PILOT. WHEN THE BATTALION
 ASKED WHETHER THE OBSERVATION STATION HAD SEEN ANYTHING, THE BINH TRAM REPLIED
 THAT ALTHOUGH THEY COULD SEE NOTHING AT THAT TIME, IT \$SEEMED THAT HE (THE
 PILOT) WAS DEAD. \$ THERE WAS A TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION AND SMOKE WHEN THE PLANE
 HIT AND ITS BOMBS EXPLODED. THE BINH TRAM INSTRUCTED THE BATTALION THAT C-2
 (COMPANY 2) WAS TO COLLECT \$EVIDENCES\$ AND \$WAR BOOTY\$ FROM THE PLANE WHICH
 SHOULD THEN BE TAKEN TO THE BASE COMMAND POST FOR A REPORT TO THE BINH TRAM ND
 GROUP ((3)) THE BATTALION REPORTED THAT BOTH PILOT AND PARACHUTE HAD BEEN
 SIGHTED. TWO OV-10'S WERE OPERATING AT A MEDIUM ALTITUDE, AND ONE OV-10 WAS
 MAKING PASSES AT AN ALTITUDE OF 150 TO 200 METERS. AN F-4 AND AD-6 HAD ALSO
 ARRIVED, AND THE AD-6 WAS MAKING LOW PASSES. BINH TRAM 32 SUGGESTED THAT THE
 BATTALION ORDER COMPANY 2 TO USE THE 37MM WEAPON TO FIRE AT THE AIRCRAFT AND,
 IF NECESSARY, TO BRING OUT THE TWO 12.7MM WEAPONS TO FIRE AT THE OV-10'S, F-4
 AND AD-6. THE BATTALION STATED THAT 57MM WEAPONS COULD NOT BE EMPLOYED BECAUSE
 THE RANGE WAS TOO CLOSE. ((1)) LOCATED WITHIN 1000 METERS OF 16-56N 105-51E, WD
 922 757 ((2)) TRANSLATED CHATTER, EXTRACTED DUE TO EXTRANEIOUS TEXT ((3))
 PROBABLY A REFERENCE TO 559TH TRANSPORTATION GROUP MS, USA-522J (CE) TI,
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